

**CLAIMS:** The following is a listing of all claims in the application with their status and the text of all active claims.

I claim:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A rigid, non distorting, non flexible hairstyling tool for the weaving of all hair types including African textured kinky natural and synthetic hair to be manually operated by the user comprising:

a first end defining a rigid non-distorting non tapered rounded probe portion:

a rigid non-distorting oval intermediate portion for the threading of the hair section ;

and an elongated non distorting terminal portion for securing braid sized sections of hair through pressure, reduced in width but not necessarily length, relative to the intermediate portion, without an inward bend or pinched gate being at angle flat, twisted or bent in relation to the oval intermediate portion.

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The hair sewing needle according to claim 1, where the needle is fabricated of a material sufficiently capable of holding it's shape without distortion, being made of but not limited to metal.

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The hair sewing tool of claim 1 where the terminal portion is round.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Please omit.